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Classified By: Ambassador J. Thomas Schieffer for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

(C) Embassy Tokyo Political Officer delivered reftel demarche August 8 to MOFA Aid Policy Planning Division Principal Deputy Director Yukiko Okano (protect). According to Okano, Japan is planning on participating in the PDG, but there is "probably not" room in the budget for a significant financial contribution. Okano said that the Japanese government would need at least until the week of August 20 to formulate it's official response. SCHIEFFER